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Christopher Meyer's Residence
Looted by Masked Burglars.

He and His Brother, Cord, Jr.,
Away---Their Sisters Threatened.

Their Fierce Bulldog Locked Up---
The Watchman Inactive.

MASPEETH, L. I., Dec. 22.—The residence of Christopher Meyer, brother of Cord Meyer, Jr., Democratic candidate for Secretary of State at the next election, was entered by masked burglars early this morning, and diamonds and other valuables, worth in all \$4,000, taken.

The two brothers occupy adjoining mansions on Grand street and Rockaway avenue, just over the line which divides Williamsburg from Queens County. The houses are some distance away from all others, but they are finely kept up, and the Meyers enjoy their situation of solitary grandeur.

In one house Cord Meyer lives with his wife, while in the other Christopher and his two unmarried sisters, Annie and Augusta, reside.

Last evening Christopher Meyer was out of the city on business, and Cord, who is a member of the Hanover Club, went with the members of that organization to their theatre party at the Amphion Theatre. It was about 2 o'clock when he returned to his home.

There he found the ladies of the two households in a state of great excitement. The ladies had not attended the play, but returned earlier.

Shortly after 1 o'clock, the two Misses Meyer, who sleep together, were awakened by two men who entered their room.

The men's features were concealed by handkerchiefs, and they had revolvers in their hands. They ordered the sisters to get up, and the orders were promptly obeyed.

"Then," said one of the men, gruffly, "show us where that safe is, and open it for us."

The young women protested that no one knew the combination except Mr. Meyer. The burglars then began investigating for themselves, one, however, guarding the frightened young women with a cocked revolver.

In a desk the robbers found two boxes, containing \$3,000 worth of diamonds and jewelry. In another desk several watches and about \$50 in cash, which brought the value of their total booty up to about \$4,000.

The burglars had not been gone more than three minutes when the terrified young women heard the wheels of the carriage in which their brothers were returning.

As was to be expected, the brothers entered the house the young ladies told them of what had occurred, and Cord Meyer's shoulders a rifle and made a dash for the door, but found no trace of the burglars.

The house is equipped with an electric burglar alarm, but the burglars, who had gained entrance through the library, the door of which was opened with a skeleton key, had not been detected.

The robbery is all the more astonishing when one considers how the mansions of the Meyers were guarded.

A private watchman has nothing to do but wander around the two houses all night, and besides there are three fierce bull dogs, which generally have the liberty of their own way.

Messrs. Meyer are known to men who are armed and can shoot with accuracy when necessary.

The only way the watchman can explain it is by saying that the burglars got into one house while he was at the other. The burglars did not figure in the case, because Miss Annie Meyer, with a shout of "help," had called her brother, who was in the next house, and he had come to the rescue.

It was the most alarming thing I ever heard of," said Cord Meyer to-day, "under ordinary circumstances it would not be dangerous for a man to go to try and force their way into our place, but last night was the only time in years when the place was so unprotected, and they happened to come along then. It looks as if they were waiting for their opportunity, and I doubt if we will ever recover our property."

The Brooklyn police have been notified.

According to Mr. Meyer's sisters the burglars wore white cloth masks over their faces. In these they had cut holes for their eyes and mouths. The two burglars wore of medium size and build. Their features were so disguised by the masks that they could not distinguish them.

The burglars wore heavy trousers with a broad stripe and derby hats. They also wore thick gloves.

This description tallies exactly with that of the men who broke into the house of Archibald Wallace, Laura Hill, the other night, and who previously broke into the house of Saxon-Keeper Blanch at Woodside.

SAALFIELD & FITCH FAIL.

The Book Publishers Have Preferences of \$3,751.03.

Arthur J. Saalfield and Albert P. Fitch, composing the firm of Saalfield & Fitch, book publishers, at 12 Bible House, Astor place, made an assignment to-day to Geo. W. Delano, with preferences amounting to \$3,751.03.

The preferred creditors are Ada L. Randolph, \$1,259.57, and Louis R. Fitch, \$2,491.46.

COTTON EXCHANGE FAILURE.

S. H. Sodersten, a Small Operator, Forced to Suspend.

The failure of S. H. Sodersten, a small operator on the Cotton Exchange, was announced this morning.

MR. KEENEY ARRESTED

President of the Defunct Commercial Bank of Brooklyn.

Like His Cashier, He Is Charged with Perjury.

\$30,000 the Amount of Bail Required in His Case.

Seth L. Keene, President of the wrecked Commercial Bank of Brooklyn, was arrested this morning by Detective Bagnarelli, of District-Attorney Ridgway's office, on a charge of perjury.

The arrest took place at Mr. Keene's leaving his office in the Phoenix Building, in Court street.

The detective stepped up to Mr. Keene and taking him by the arm, remarked: "Mr. Keene, District-Attorney Ridgway expects you."

At 11 o'clock, twenty minutes after his arrest, Mr. Keene, accompanied by his counsel, Col. Lamb, and Assistant District-Attorney Clark, entered the Court of Sessions.

Mr. Keene was arraigned before the bar and asked by Judge Moore if he knew he had been indicted for perjury by the Grand Jury, Col. Lamb spoke for him.

"The defendant," said Col. Lamb, "pleads not guilty, and asks to be admitted to trial."

Assistant District-Attorney Clark said he did not oppose Mr. Keene being admitted to trial.

"The prisoner," he said, "is charged with only one crime which is embodied in the indictment, the substance of which is that he was sworn to by the Grand Jury, and he is charged with perjury."

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HE BLAMES NICOLL.

Parkhurst Says His Way to the Grand Jury Was Blocked.

The District Attorney Makes Indignant Denial.

The Minister, He Says, Will Be Asked to Testify Wednesday.

Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst has abandoned the idea of going before the present Grand Jury to ask indictments against Police Captains, Police Commissioners or any one else. He feels that it is useless to do so, and to-morrow morning in a statement to the public he will explain why.

This course was decided upon this morning by the President of the Society for the Prevention of Crime and its conference with Lawyer Frank Moss.

Mr. Parkhurst's residence, 133 East Thirty-fifth street, shortly after 8 o'clock, and an hour later the conference was over and the above decision reached.

Mr. Parkhurst was at the District-Attorney's office yesterday. He was there several times during the month, as was Lawyer Moss. Each visit was made with reference to appearing before the Grand Jury to ask for the indictment of certain Police Captains, besides visiting the District-Attorney's office in person.

It is said, in almost daily conversation with Mr. Nicoll of his assistants, but the days rolled by and they were not called upon to give their testimony.

It is charged by Dr. Parkhurst that the way to the Grand Jury room was blocked by some one in the District-Attorney's office, for what purpose he does not say.

Mr. Parkhurst was asked yesterday to bring his witnesses before the Grand Jury to-day, and this is the last day left for the present Grand Jury to take action.

In the limited time at their disposal it was found impossible to have all the witnesses on hand. All were ready early in the month. Even one week ago, it is said, they could have been before the Grand Jury with safety. Now several witnesses are out of town.

Immediately after the conference this morning Dr. Parkhurst left the house and went to the office of the Society for the Prevention of Crime.

Dr. Parkhurst is said to be in a state of mind to leave the city for a few days, and after it has been considered the jury will be discharged.

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FIFTY INDICTMENTS.

Rumors That Some Are for Prominent Politicians.

Bench Warrants Issued and Arrests Hourly Expected.

Bills Found in Connection with Recent Election Frauds.

At 1 o'clock this afternoon the extraordinary Grand Jury handed to Justice Barrett, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, a batch of indictments, numbering about 50. Most of them are for violation of the Election law. The names of the persons indicted were not disclosed, as warrants have been issued for their arrest.

It was rumored, however, that a well-known city official was indicted for leading a piece of property for immoral purposes. This is said to have been brought about by the efforts of Dr. Parkhurst.

It was officially announced in the District-Attorney's office later that some of the indictments were for frauds in several election districts during the last municipal election.

It was said that thirty indictments had been found in election cases and that many of them were against prominent local politicians.

A number of bench warrants have been issued, and many important arrests may be looked for during the next few days.

The big bundle of indictments were handed over to Court Officer "Billy" Ricketts, who put them on the Judge's desk. After a formal nod at the bundle it was transferred to a stout leather bag and locked up.

There was no end of speculation as to the names of the indicted persons. The court officials maintained the strictest silence.

Judge Barrett told the jury that the District-Attorney has one more case for their consideration. It will be presented to them at the earliest possible moment, and after it has been considered the jury will be discharged.

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THE MUGWUMP AND THE DEMOCRAT.

Or the Ins and Outs of Politics at Washington.

Inveterate Bebro Arrested on Complaint of Lemont's Assignee.

Engaged to Introduce a Numbering Machine at \$4,000 Per Year.

Marcus Bebro, of England, is locked up in Ludlow Street Jail in a suit begun against him in the Supreme Court to recover \$3,000.

The plaintiff is Fannie J. Lemont, assignee of Charles O. Lemont, and the amount involved is said to represent two years' salary.

Bebro owned certain English letters patent of a rotary numbering machine. It is alleged that Oct. 20, 1891, he engaged Lemont at a salary of \$4,000 a year to aid him in introducing the machine and organizing a company for its sale.

Lemont, it is alleged, secured the incorporation in New Jersey of the Rotary Numbering Machine Company with a capital of \$50,000.

Lemont also alleges that he acted as a medium for Bebro in certain transactions in connection with the enterprise, and that he was remunerated by Bebro to give two personal notes for \$5,000 each, which Bebro promised to pay for him when they became due.

He alleges that these notes have not been paid, and that he has not received a cent of his salary.

He also alleges that Bebro has disappeared, and that he is unable to find him, and is preparing to return to England.

Bebro is said to be the father of Harry Bebro, a clerk in the office of the District-Attorney, who obtained much notoriety a few months ago in connection with the diamond litigation.

Judge Drake signed the order for Bebro's arrest and placed his bail at \$5,000.

JUDGMENT FOR \$399,451.

Banker Seligman's Agreement with Bullock & Wilder Co.

An Inquest in the suit of Banker Isaac Seligman against Bullock & Wilder Co., was held before Justice O'Brien in Supreme Court to-day.

No defense being interposed a judgment against Bullock & Wilder Co. for \$399,451.40 was directed by Justice O'Brien.

J. & W. Seligman say that this judgment was taken in pursuance of an arrangement made between Seligman Bros. in London and the Bullock & Wilder Co. of this city, who are contractors and who were engaged in the construction of the Monterey and Mexican Gulf Railroad.

The suit is one which has been pending for a long time.

Bullock & Wilder Co., in accordance with this agreement turn over to Seligman Bros. certain assets in their possession, and allow this judgment to be taken against them.

The bankers say that this is simply a method adopted for settling up certain claims and that the judgment itself is without special significance.

Mr. Seligman's counsel, Mr. J. H. Seligman, says that the judgment is a sure thing that he decision will be in his favor, and that racing will be resumed on Tuesday.

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CITY OF RIO REPORTED CAPTURED.

Pernambuco Hears That the Brazilian Rebels Have Triumphed.

Admiral De Mello Said to Be Now at the Head of the Republic.

POSITIVE DETAILS LACKING.

Victory the Alleged Result of a Combined Naval Movement.

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PERNAMBUCO, Dec. 22.—The most sensational rumors are in circulation here, and as they come from various sources and directions, it would seem that the report which is causing so much commotion is widespread.

According to this report, which reached here from Rio de Janeiro, to-day the insurgent fleet after two days of desultory fighting with the Government troops has made a determined and successful attack upon Rio de Janeiro, which has resulted in the capture of that city.

It is said that President Peixoto has resigned the Presidency in favor of Admiral de Mello, and that Peixoto is a prisoner in the hands of his enemies.

These are the statements as they have reached us here.

It is right to add that the authorities of Pernambuco, who have been questioned on the subject, doubt the truth of the startling reports.

The Associated Press correspondent is unable to obtain any reply to his messages sent south, and messages from the Associated Press correspondent at Rio have, apparently, been intercepted.

This would give color to the report that something of an extraordinary nature has occurred.

Minister Mendonca, of Brazil, who arrived in the city from Washington yesterday, went from the Hotel Brasilia to the residence of Mr. C. R. Flint, 4 West Thirty-sixth street, shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. He remained there until late in the afternoon, and sent word that he was too busy to be interviewed.

Mr. Mendonca's secretary stated that it was reported that Mello had captured Rio. Minister Mendonca sent the following:

"I have received cablegrams from Rio this morning, but no such advices."

Mr. Mendonca's secretary stated afterwards that the Minister did not believe the report.

Mr. Flint & Co.'s it was denied that Mendonca is negotiating for the purchase of more ships to be transformed into men-of-war.

DOUBT AT WASHINGTON.

But Brazilian Advices Are Apparently Delayed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Neither the State nor Navy Department had received any news this morning indicating the capture of Rio de Janeiro and the downfall of President Peixoto.

At the Brazilian Legation it was stated that no news had been received, but the rumors of Rio's capture were doubted.

Ordinarily the Legation receives advices each day, and some delay apparently has occurred in sending cable messages to the Legation here.

NEWS OF BATTLE IN BRAZIL.

400 Men Said to Have Been Killed North of Desterro.

(By Associated Press.)

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 22.—A severe engagement between the Brazilian insurgents and the Government troops is reported to have taken place at Itaja, north of Desterro.

The number of killed is said to be 400, and in addition a very large number is said to have